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## Local Matters.

**A Liberal Offer.**  
Now is a good time to subscribe for the Mercury for 1883. All new subscribers who send in their subscriptions at once for next year, will receive the paper from now to January 1, 1883, free. In other words two dollars will pay for the Mercury from now to January 1, 1883.

## The Proposed Harbor Commission.

Newport is gradually becoming supplied with all the paraphernalia and governmental machinery of a large city, but without the heavy bills of expense that ordinarily accompany these municipal luxuries. The latest proposed addition to this array is a Harbor Commission. The proposition to establish such a commission came from Commodore Luce of the naval training squadron, who thinks that it would be useful in connection with the intended improvements and expenditures at Coaster's Harbor Island. The City Council at its last meeting appointed a special committee on the subject, comprising Aldermen Cottrell and Langley and Councilmen Barker, Waters and Stoddard. A few evenings ago the committee met, and with them Commodore Luce, Colonel Elliott of the United States Engineer Corps, and Hon. Wm. P. Sheffield. The committee arrived at no very definite conclusion, aside from agreeing that the board should be composed of three or five civilians, to be appointed by the Governor of the State, together with the commodore of the training squadron and the officer of the U. S. engineer corps stationed at Newport, as advisory members. The necessary act to authorize such a board, would be asked from the General Assembly, and would define the powers the commission is to have. With our present information, it does not seem very clear that there is any urgent need for the board. The city controls the wharves, docks and water inside the harbor line. The Harbor Master regulates the anchoring and movement of vessels in the harbor. The engineer department has charge of the harbor bottom, recommends appropriations for dredging, etc., and superintends the expenditure of money given by the general government for these purposes. A Harbor Commission could undoubtedly exercise considerable influence and make wise recommendations for the preservation and betterment of our harbor facilities, but it is not at all certain that it would do more than is now done or may be done in coming years. Unless the commission will be of certain usefulness let us not have it.

The December session of the City Council will be held on Tuesday evening next. The most important item of business will be the report of the committee on selecting a new site for the city asylum. It has been currently reported that the Freeborn land at the rear of the Newport Hospital had been selected—120,000 square feet at 15 cents a foot. A member of the committee on being interrogated contented himself with saying that we would be surprised when the report was read; wherefore we conclude that the site chosen is the land offered near Green End point.

Most of our citizens fail to see where the profit of the training fleet to Newport is to be derived. The fleet proposes to winter in southern waters, and to summer on foreign cruises. What time is left for Newport does not yet appear. In short, the general opinion is, that we have been sold, and the goods delivered without any compensation. It remains now to be seen how much the State is willing to do towards paying for the site which it tendered the general government.

The water street project is not meeting with any great degree of favor, and if the friends of the measure wish its success, they should arrange a public hearing when all that can be said for the proposition, may be declared to the many doubters. Mentioning the project to widen Thames-st is really receiving earnest consideration, and we shall not be surprised if it takes definite shape before many weeks.

It has been humorously said that the ten plagues of a printing office are, borse, poets, rats, cranks, cockroaches, typographic errors, exchange funds, book canvassers, delinquent subscribers, and the men who know how to run the paper better than the editor does himself.

The wife of Mr. Davis, the head book-keeper of the Providence Journal, died last week of typhoid fever, and Sunday the wife of Mr. W. M. Leavitt, a compositor on that paper, died of the same disease. Providence is having a terrible run of that fatal disease.

Gen. Hazen, the chief of the U. S. Signal Bureau predicts a mild winter. We have not had much evidence of it during the past week. Yennor, who always predicts cold weather in winter, has hit it more nearly than far.

The Boston street sweeper of the O'Neill patent has arrived in town, ready for use next spring. This is taking time by the forelock. The sweeper, however, is said to be very useful and effective.

## That Sanitary Report.

Last week we acquainted our readers with the general conclusions of the report of the National Board of Health on the sanitary condition of Newport. This report was made at the request of the Sanitary Protection Society, and it was the intention of a leading member of the society, to use this report as a lever to force the Board of Aldermen to grant the much desired separate Board of Health. The Aldermen at a meeting appointed by this member failed to yield to the demands and threats of this member, and the report was then read to the society, through the kind permission of this member. It was then decided not to give the report to the public, hoping that the terrors of its unknown contents would finally result in the officers asking the Aldermen to give the desired health board. It is now known, and it has fallen without effect on the community.

And why should it arouse the terror of our citizens? The report was written by Mr. E. W. Howditch, was read by the National Board of Health, and the only correction was simply the suppressing of a few passages in which Mr. Howditch had expressed his personal opinion of the Board of Aldermen and the citizens of Newport. Now, how did Mr. Howditch arrive at his conclusions? Mainly through the reports of two young men, who paid a visit to Newport last summer and made the so-called "house to house sanitary inspection" of the city. From what we can learn, it is difficult to find any citizens who received calls from these investigators. They gleaned their facts mainly from servants—notably reliable informants! They preferred to call at back doors, and spend a minute or two looking around back yards. They asked few questions and evidently generalized their conclusions from such scattered facts as came mostly to their notice. The examination was made by these inexperienced young men, and not by the National Board of Health, and how much is it worth? It was not a thorough search. Prominent members of the Sanitary Protection Society admit that the investigators never called upon themselves or any member of the family, except in some instances on the servants. In these cases they asked few questions, and many premises, as far as can be ascertained, were not touched at all by these searchers of bad orders. The statements in the report in regard to the purity of the water of the Newport Water Works, we understand are equally incorrect. The water has been repeatedly analyzed by some of the best chemists in the country and the analysis in every instance will compare favorably with most of the public water supplied throughout New England. Undoubtedly Newport needs sanitary improvement, but it will never be accomplished by threats and abuse.

## Sunday Services.

The Channing Unitarian church will hold their usual morning service Rev. C. W. Wendte preaching. At 7 o'clock the services of the course on Church Composition; Felix Maudeleohn. Mrs. Flora E. Barry of Boston, the eminent contralto, will sing "O, Rest in the Lord," from "Elijah," "The Lord is mindful of his own," from "St. Paul," and a hymn, "Father to us." The chorus choir led by Prof. J. B. Sherrard will sing "He watching over Israel" and "Cast Thy burden on the Lord," from "Elijah," the Part Song "Farewell to the Forest" and the Solo and Chorus "Sing of Judgement" from "Lauda Israel."

At Zion Episcopal church to-morrow there will be the usual service with sermon and holy communion at 10:45 A. M.; the Sunday School and recitation of the Bible at 2:30 P. M., and the evening service at 7:30 P. M., when the pastor will preach a sermon especially suited to young men; subject—"Aids and Hindrances to Successful Business Life."

The Rev. Mr. Atkinson, a missionary from Japan, will preach at the United Congregational Church to-morrow morning, and in the evening will speak of Japan.

The Rev. S. J. Barrows, editor of the Christian Register, preached at the Channing Memorial church on Sunday last, the Rev. C. W. Wendte being still confined to his home by illness.

At St. Mary's (R. C.) church on Sunday afternoon a branch of the association of the Apostleship of Prayer was organized by the pastor, the Rev. Dr. Grace. The society has branches in many parts of the United States and other countries, and its purpose is by prayer and the example of its members to cause those who are neglecting their religious duties to live better lives.

## The Weather Topic.

The temperature during the week ranged from 42° on Sunday to 21° on Tuesday. During the week the wind reached 34 miles an hour. There was a fall of snow on Sunday with more on Wednesday and Thursday. Some sleighs were out Thanksgiving day, but the sleighing was scarcely passable. The total amount of rain and melted snow for the week was four-fifths of an inch.

Mrs. Perry Sherman died very suddenly on Sunday last at the residence of her husband on Bellevue-ave, at the age of 79 years. She was a lady highly esteemed and one of the constituent members of the Central Baptist church. Her children are Col. Augustus P. Sherman and Mrs. Thomas B. Clark. The funeral was solemnized at her husband's residence on Tuesday afternoon. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends, and the services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Randolph, her pastor.

A meeting of the subscribers to the fund for building the new school house in district No. 1 in Middletown was held Saturday evening to make arrangements for the dedication, but the new building not being yet completed, the meeting adjourned for two weeks without taking any action. The old school building is advertised to be sold at auction on Saturday, December 16th, at 2:30 o'clock.

The Democratic tidal wave which struck the sixth ward in Providence, overwhelmed our former townsmen, L. H. Foster, Esq., in the general defeat of the Republican ticket. Mr. Foster was a candidate for councilman on the Republican ticket, but the Democrats carried the ward by from nine to fifty majority.

James A. Eddy's grocery store was robbed of \$70 in money Wednesday night.

## THANKSGIVING SERVICES.

**Zion Episcopal Church.**  
Service was held in the morning at a quarter to eleven with a large congregation. An excellent and appropriate sermon was delivered by the pastor, the Rev. J. C. Hewitt, from Psalm LXXV: 11: "Thou crownest the year with thy goodness." The Thanksgiving emblems were very fine. The font was beautifully decorated with grasses and fruit. The pulpit, reading-desk and altar were tastefully dressed with leaves and grasses. In the chancel corn on the stalk were corn, potatoes, apples, oranges and other fruits and vegetables. The grasses were supplied by Miss Emma Goffe, and Miss Lucy Stewart, and the fruits were furnished by Mrs. Jones and Mr. Jas. A. Brown.

**Emmanuel Episcopal Church.**  
A good sized congregation listened to an excellent sermon by the pastor, the Rev. R. B. Post, at the usual service at eleven o'clock. Mr. Post spoke of the true spirit of thankfulness, which must include the thankful heart as well as the outward act of thankfulness. The "Harvest Home" offerings were abundant and appropriate. Two large wire stands were filled with choice fruits and vegetables, and in the font was a handsome basket of grapes, apples, oranges and other fruits. As is customary, these fruits were afterwards distributed to the poor of the parish.

**Union Services.**  
Union Services of the Union Congregational Church, held at the Union Chapel in the evening; a large congregation was present. The pastors of each of the above mentioned churches took part of the above mentioned services. The sermon was by the Rev. W. H. Thomas of Union Chapel from 2 Corinthians xii: 31: "Covered with the best gifts." The sermon was a clear exposition of the text and during its delivery many of the best gifts to men were pictured out as causes for the most heartfelt thanksgiving.

**Central Baptist Church.**  
The sermon was delivered by the pastor, the Rev. Warren Randolph, D. D., from Psalm xvi: 1: "Blessed is the man that doeth not so as the nations, that do not walk in counsel of the Lord, that delighteth greatly in his commandments," on the general duty of thanksgiving, with these topics: "1. The rendering of thanks is most suitable and proper. 2. It is a joyful and uplifting exercise. 3. It is likely to awaken gratitude and call out thanks from others."

**United Congregational Church.**  
The Thanksgiving sermon was delivered by the Rev. J. L. Atkinson, a returned missionary from Japan, his text being Nehemiah xii: 42-43. His discourse was a practical and eloquent exposition of the reasons for this nation being thankful. He thought that peace, plenty, the standing of the country in foreign nations and the awakened interest for better politics were special reasons for national gratitude.

**Trinity Church.**  
There was a special service at Trinity church for Thanksgiving, which was beautifully rendered. The excellent sermon of the pastor was based on Psalm cxviii: 12, 13, 14: "What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me? I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all his people."

**The Methodist Churches.**  
The First M. E. and the Thames-st churches held a union service at the latter church on Thanksgiving morning. The Rev. Dr. Whedon delivered a fitting discourse from Deuteronomy vi: 6: "The Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth."

**First Baptist Church.**  
At this church Thanksgiving morning a sermon of marked excellence was preached by the pastor, the Rev. C. E. Barrows, D. D., from Proverbs XIV: 31: "Righteousness exalteth a nation."

**Second Baptist Church.**  
The pastor, the Rev. Frank Reeder, delivered a fitting sermon on the words "And he shall be thankful," from Colossians iii: 15. There was a fair sized congregation.

**St. Mary's Church.**  
The usual Thanksgiving mass was held in the morning, with a large congregation.

## Fire in Middletown.

On Saturday noon last fire broke out in the story and a half cottage of Horace P. Underwood, off Maple-ave, Middletown. The fire caught from the chimney in the upper part of the house, and when it was discovered, the inmates had barely time to escape, saving only a few articles, and twenty minutes later the pleasant little home was a smoking ruin. The crib was also burned, but the corn was saved. The house and contents belonged to Horace P. Underwood and were uninsured. In the house was also \$700 belonging to Joseph Underwood and \$200 belonging to Stephen Underwood, and all the money was burned. A subscription for the benefit of Mr. H. P. Underwood has been started, and subscriptions may be left at the store of O. H. P. Gladding, Thames-st. The losses by this fire fall very heavily on the family, and Mr. Underwood and his sons are deserving of practical sympathy.

## Newport Beats St. Louis.

On Saturday was shut the postponed short-range rifle match between the Newport and St. Louis clubs, each shooting on their own grounds. The conditions were: Teams of six men each, 15 shots at 200 yards. Score—Newport team: W. M. Farrow, 70; W. B. Knight, 68; G. H. Burnham, 67; E. E. Leonard, 64; C. S. Plummer, 64; W. S. Beyer, 64. Total—397. St. Louis team—total, 385, the Newport winning by two points. The sixteenth competition match for the powder prize was also shot, being won by Farrow. Score, 46.

At a special meeting of the School Committee Wednesday evening Miss Mary R. Thurston was elected a primary teacher to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Coggeshall. The primary grades by vote were changed from primary and subsidiary to third, second and first primary.

## Atlantic Division, Sons of Temperance.

held a pleasant social Thanksgiving evening.

## RECORD OF DEATHS.

**Charles H. Peckham.**  
Charles H. Peckham, a well known citizen, died very suddenly Wednesday morning in Wm. P. Clarke's store on Thames-st from angina pectoris (heart disease). He went into the store shortly before seven o'clock, and sat reading, when he suddenly fell to the floor, and before medical aid could be summoned, he was dead. The body was removed to his residence on Cornish-st, and the funeral was solemnized yesterday from the residence of his sister, Mrs. John Bull, on Bull-st. Mr. Peckham was a native of this city, and spent most of his life in Newport. In early life he worked on his father's farm near Bailey's Beach, and afterwards was employed in the dry goods store of the late Lieut. Gov. E. W. Lawton. Later he studied botanic medicine but never practiced. At one time he was engaged with his brother, Francis B. Peckham, the publisher of the Rhode Island Republican. Of late years he has managed the oriental baths on Cornish-st, which were located in his residence. Mr. Peckham was a remarkably well read man, and his reading was confined to that which is best in literature. He was a regular visitor at the Melwood Library, and probably spent more time in that pleasant literary retreat than any other person in Newport save the librarians. He was an early and firm believer in "modern spiritualism," and his writings were mainly on this subject and were contributed largely to the Banner of Light. Though somewhat eccentric in manner and dress, Mr. Peckham was a pure-minded and upright gentleman, and was most highly esteemed by his friends and intimate acquaintances. Mr. Peckham was the son of the late Daniel Peckham, and his surviving brother and sisters are Job A. Peckham, Mrs. Seth Baleman, Mrs. John Bull, and Mary A. Peckham, of this city. His brothers, Francis B. Peckham of Providence died on Thursday morning, twenty-four hours after his own death. Mr. Charles Peckham was 72 years old and was never married.

**Francis B. Peckham.**  
Francis B. Peckham, brother of Charles H., died at his home in Providence Thanksgiving morning, in the 70th year of his age. He was stricken with paralysis a few days ago, and did not long survive the shock. His only son, Francis B. Peckham, Jr., Esq., of this city was with him at his death, having been summoned to him on Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Peckham was formerly engaged in the coal and wood business in this city; later he for a time owned the Rhode Island Republican, which was published in this city, and afterwards he was proprietor of the Bellevue House, which many years ago was closed, and cut up into several dwellings. The hotel business did not prove successful, and Mr. Peckham on closing it out removed to Providence, where he managed the coal business of Mr. J. R. White. Mr. Peckham was an energetic and industrious man of business, and an esteemed citizen. He was possessed of a strong will, and believed and upheld his convictions with an unwavering firmness. He leaves besides his son two married daughters, who live in Providence. The remains were brought to this city on Thursday, and the funeral will be solemnized from his son's residence on Central court to-day at noon.

## The Coming Fair.

The meeting of the executive committee of the proposed fair of the Aquidneck Agricultural Society was held at the State House on Monday evening. There was a fair attendance, including several ladies who are interesting themselves in the success of the project. The special committee reported that they had selected as the time the last three days and evenings in January with a ball to close the fair on the 1st of February, and the Opera House as the place of holding the fair and ball. Messrs. A. C. Landers, John Black and Fred. W. Greene and Mrs. Fales, Mrs. Wm. A. Peckham and Mrs. Copeland were appointed a committee to solicit contributions of articles for the fair. The following persons were elected vice presidents of the organization: Messrs. L. D. Davis, T. Mumford Seabury, J. D. Richardson, Arnold L. Burdick, John J. Watson, John H. Coggeshall and Benjamin Howland, Miss Annie C. Chase, Miss Lizzie P. Weaver, Mrs. Josiah S. Peckham, Mrs. Thomas Burdick, Mrs. Thomas Crosby and Mrs. Dr. Benjamin Greene. The discussion of what form the ball should take, developed a feeling in favor of a masquerade, but the matter was referred to a committee comprising Messrs. Fred W. Greene, John T. Tripp and A. C. Landers.

On next Monday evening the gentlemen of the executive committee will meet at the State House, and the ladies interested in the fair at the residence of Mrs. Fales on Rhode Island-ave, to perfect arrangements for the fair. Each meeting is called for half-past seven o'clock.

## Personal Paragraphs.

William Astor sails for Europe to-day in the Britannic.

Milton H. Sanford and family have gone to New York for the winter.

His Honor Lieut. Gov. Fay has returned from his two weeks' trip to New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Schermerhorn gave the first grand ball of the New York season on Tuesday evening.

Commander William C. Wise has been ordered to hold himself in readiness to command the United States training ship Commodore.

## Telegraph Officials on the Move.

O. S. Wiley, for the past season operator at the Ocean House office of Van Emburgh & Atterbury, has accepted the office of superintendent of telegraph on the New York and New England R. R. with headquarters at Hartford, and has entered upon the discharge of his new duties.

Edward A. Courty, for several years Mr. James R. Keene's private telegraph operator in this city, has resigned, and accepted the management of Van Emburgh & Atterbury's stock telegraph office at the Ocean House.

John McGuire, for several months past head clerk at the Western Union Telegraph Office, has secured a position in New York.

The schools begin again next Monday for three weeks term, to the Christmas holidays.

## COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

November Term—Second Week.

The case of Henry Hessel vs. Otto Siegel, for damages for the loss of a horse belonging to the plaintiff and killed while in the possession of the defendant, without, as was claimed, the permission of the plaintiff, resulted in a verdict for the plaintiff for \$37.60 and costs.

On Saturday was concluded the trial of the three cases of John N. A. Griswold vs. Peter Casey, the hackman, for trespass in violating the rules of the steamboat landing on Commercial wharf. These were appealed cases from the Justice Court, where Casey was convicted and fined \$1, \$10 and \$20 for the three offenses respectively. Before the case was proceeded with on Saturday, James G. Topham and Wm. B. Sherman of Newport were excused from the jury, because it was decided that they had served on a jury within two years, as they were summoned as jurors for the September term of the Supreme Court in 1880 and served at the adjourned session in December of that year. The case proceeded with ten jurors. The court, jurors and counsel viewed the premises on Saturday morning, and the cases resulted in a verdict for plaintiff in each instance. The damages were assessed at 65 cents and costs in each case. Judge Stines in his charge upheld the theory of the plaintiff that Commercial wharf is private property, and is under the absolute control of the owner. He held that the claim that because the wharf is near the ocean, the wharf, though it is public property, is not tenable. He also concluded that there was no evidence to show that Franklin-st or Prospect Hill-ave extended across Thames-st, making Commercial wharf public property in a sense different from any other wharf in the State. He was of the opinion, therefore, that the owner or lessee of the wharf could detain the terms on which parties could come upon the wharf. This could be done in the face of adverse possession long continued. Judge Stines gave as an illustration the drive in front of the Ocean House. The owners may leave that open to the public for any number of years but it will never become a portion of Bellevue-ave. The possession which the public has is not adverse or antagonistic to the interests or wishes of the proprietors. They can use it for their own interests in this way as long as they please without forfeiting any of their rights. Twenty years' possession with the owners' consent does not give the public any advantages whatever. Messrs. Hony and Peckham appeared for the plaintiff and the Messrs. Sheffield for the defendant.

On Monday the trial of the appealed case of the State vs. James Russell, a non-resident on the charge of being a common drunkard, occurred. Solicitor Peckham for the State, and C. A. Ives for the prisoner. The jury rendered a verdict of guilty, and in consideration of the fact that Russell had spent four months in jail, and upon his promise to live better and soberly, he was allowed to go on his own recognizance. Russell celebrated his release by getting very drunk, and was brought into court the next day, and sentenced to spend six months at the State Farm and pay the costs of prosecution.

On Monday was opened the trial of the appealed Newport liquor cases, and several were disposed of up to Wednesday evening. The first case was that against Chas. Bickerton, for illegal liquor selling at the corner of Hill and Thames-sts. Bickerton was refused a license when the new law went into effect because he was within 400 feet of a school-house. The jury found the prisoner guilty, but sentence was deferred. Later the second and third cases against Bickerton were tried, and both resulted in verdicts of guilty. The court then sentenced him to a fine of \$20 and ten days' imprisonment in the Providence County jail in each of the three cases, making \$60 fine and 30 days' imprisonment altogether with the costs of prosecution and conviction added. In each case the testimony for the State was given by Aaron Brackett and Robert B. Sweet, "spotters" from Lincoln.

The trial of the case against Manson P. Atravre, clerk at No. 2 Washington square, resulted in a verdict of not guilty. The witnesses for the State were contradicted by the defendant's witnesses, and the jury evidently believed that the sale was not made as charged. In the above four cases, Assistant Attorney General Bosworth appeared for the State, and Wm. P. Sheffield, Jr. for the defendants.

On Tuesday was tried the case against Peter Melville, barkeeper for J. Freeman Mayberry, Thames-st. The Assistant Attorney General appeared in this, and the following liquor cases, for the State. Messrs. Gorman of Providence and Galvin of Newport appeared for the respondents. John Manchester, 21 and George H. Taylor were put on the jury in the place of Geo. A. Pritchard and Edward P. Marsh. The defendant was found guilty. The second case against Melville also resulted in a verdict of guilty. Exceptions were taken.

In the case against James Groves, the respondent failed to appear, and was defaulted in the sum of \$100 with his surety, John Connelly.

Samuel Pollitt, for illegal selling at his place on Thames-st, was found guilty.

Thomas McLaughlin was arraigned on four counts, and was found guilty on the first. He pleaded guilty on the 2d and 3d counts, and the fourth was discontinued. He was thereupon sentenced to ten days' imprisonment in the Providence County jail and \$20 fine and costs in each of the three cases.

The cases against Ann McLeod and J. Freeman Mayberry was continued to the May term.

The last case on Wednesday afternoon was that against William Sullivan for illegal selling at a saloon on Thames-st. He was found guilty, and exceptions were taken. Wednesday afternoon the court adjourned until yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. Yesterday morning the case against Charles Johnson for non-support of family was entered settled. The next case was the trial of David B. Allen, the steward of the training ship Portsmouth, for manslaughter. As the ship has not yet arrived in Boston from this port and the principal witnesses are on board, the case was postponed until Wednesday, December 13, at 11 A. M., to which time the court adjourned. After this case is disposed of, it is expected that the trial of the liquor cases will be resumed.

## HE WAS RUN OUT.

In Rome, But Not a Roman.

A story is going the rounds of the studios of which an artist now away is the hero, says the New York Tribune. It happened one day in early summer that a fastidious friend invited him to Newport for a day. Now, this artist availed himself of the privileges of genius to neglect somewhat his outer man, while his speech and bearing were naturally brusque and eccentric. So the fastidious friend was slightly annoyed when the artist appeared on the boat for Newport wearing a shockingly bad hat, and a blouse which bore traces of intimate companionship with a palette knife. It was a business trip, and they breakfasted at a hotel in Newport, after which the correctly dressed man went to attend to his business, while the artist strolled out to commune with nature. Feeling weary after a time, he returned to the hotel, and meeting the proprietor, whom he had not seen before, he said abruptly: "Where can I lie down?" The hotel man looked him over from his bad hat and stained blouse to his unblacked shoes, and said shortly: "You can't lie down here." "Can't you find some place here where I can be comfortable?" insisted the artist in an injured tone. Then the proprietor indignantly asserted: "This is no place for tramps. We haven't anything for you except the door." "But I'm staying here," exclaimed the astounded painter. "Yes, you are," was the sarcastic reply. "This is no place for people like you. Now get right out. Here, John," calling a porter, "run this fellow out," and said to the artist was "run out."

## Real Estate Sales and Rentals.

Mrs. Emily J. DeBols has rented her home on Cranston-ave to Capt. Alfred Taylor, U. S. A., for three years.

Frank B. Porter & Co. have sold for David King and Geo. P. Wetmore to Wm. G. Wald of Boston a lot at the north end of Parker-court, adjoining the estate of Commodore C. H. Baldwin, and containing 16,592 feet.

Stephen Hannett has sold to James and Kate Lewis for \$1800 a lot on Thames-st and Sharon-court, measuring 30x100 feet.

The Newport Hospital has sold to Theodore A. Haverley for \$4350 an acre about 4 acres of the John Alfred Hazard land on the east shore of Almy's Pond, leaving the hospital only about five acres of the Oil-plant farm.

Daniel Watson has sold for the Ocean Highland Company to Mrs. Mary L. Wharton of Philadelphia at \$1800 an acre, four acres of land on Highland-drive and West Cove, Conanicut Island.

Albion Almy and others have sold to Henry B. Kingman a lot 64x50 feet on Apple-ave.

Alfred Smith has sold to Mary Digles for \$2875 80 x 10 lot fronting 45 feet on Bath-road and measuring 5236 square feet.

Charles H. Russell has sold to Seth Baleman for \$18,000 the lot on Castle Hill-ave adjoining the Bronson and Agassiz estates, and containing 870,500 square feet.

Messrs. Davis and Cotton have completed their purchase of a large tract of valuable real estate from ex-Gov. Van Zandt and wife, which they propose to divide up into home lots and put upon the market. The land extends from Rhode Island-ave to Cranston-ave.

Gardiner B. Reynolds & Co. have sold to Thos. W. Freeborn on private terms the estate on Thames-st occupied by Wm. E. Dennis. The estate fronts 255 feet on Thames-st and is 99 feet deep. Mr. Freeborn contemplates erecting a handsome edifice there at an early day.

## Announcing the Returns.

The Ladies' Relief Association of the Union Congregational Church, assisted by the Union Progressive Literary association will give a literary and social entertainment in the church on next Thursday at 8 o'clock. At this time the votes will be counted that have been cast for the pastors of the Union, Shiloh and Touro Chapel churches, for the autograph quilt containing the autographs of many hundreds living in several States. All holders of the 10 cent ballot or ticket will be entitled to admission by said ticket, and the 10 cent admission fee entitles to a vote.

## A Stormy Trip to Boston.

A dispatch from Boston on Wednesday says: The United States training ship Jamestown arrived at the navy yard to-day from Newport, having been six days on the way. The passage was a stormy one, and in some respects attended with danger, as she was manned principally by green boys. The second day out a large proportion of the 143 boys were on the sick list from being frost-bitten, and many had colds and coughs.

## A Beautiful Holiday Book.

Probably the handsomest holiday book ever printed is Longfellow's "Flower de Luces," printed on heavy card board, with beautiful illuminated fringed covers. The poem is printed in two similar of Longfellow's hand writing, and the illustrations are of most beautiful designs. The price of this elegant work of art is only \$1.50. The books are for sale at this office.

## Adrift on the Ocean.

Warren Kenyon, a fourteen-year-old boy living near Point Judith, drifted out to sea to a small skiff, one day recently. Fortunately, the water was comparatively smooth, so that his frail craft carried him safely to the Breton reef lightship, where he was picked up. He was afterwards taken to his home by a Newport pilot boat.

The famous play of "Our Goblins" will be performed in the Opera House, Wednesday evening, December 6th, by the celebrated Mitchell's Pleasure Party. This play was performed here last year to the immense satisfaction of all.

November has been a severe month in this section of the world.

## CITY BRIEFS.

Greetings of Newport and Newporters.

Thanksgiving 'pon'ty brought excellent prices.

A. Goffe, in the Gas Light Block, has a fine stock of men's and boys' clothing.

Cut glass bottles in all sizes of the latest styles at J. E. Groff's, New No. 393, Thames-st.

The ball of the No. 6 Engine Co. in Odd Fellows hall Wednesday evening was a grand success.

The training ship Portsmouth proceeded to Boston on Sunday, and at latest accounts was in Vineyard Haven.

J. H. Cozzens & Son have a fine lot of ready made clothing for sale at reasonable prices.

Mr. W. Fred Williamson and Miss Ella F. Peabody were married Thanksgiving evening.

The steamer Jamestown now leaves Jamestown at 6 P. M. and Newport at 5:20 P. M. on her last trip.

Miss Charlotte M. Wayland, the reader, is spending Thanksgiving week with her parents in this city.

Three weeks from next Monday is Christmas, and four weeks from next Monday will usher in 1883.

Fraude Stanhope will open on December 6 a large stock of holiday goods at his usual stand on Broadway.

James A. Eddy the grocer in Cottrell Block, has a large and valuable stock of first class groceries at low prices.

Mrs. C. M. Seymour proposes building another cottage on Cranston-ave to the rear of the one in process of building.

Chas. H. Day has resumed his position with Adam Forepaugh's show, which will appear in Newport next season.

On account of the snow, the shooting match announced for Thanksgiving day at Paradise Range, was postponed until Christmas.

Mrs. Frederick A. Pratt and Miss Annie Pratt of this city will spend the winter in New Haven with Mrs. Pratt's daughter, Mrs. Chas. P. Snow.



## Growing Old

### Little Simplicity.

BY HORACE LENNARD

### Selected Tale.

### JIM'S BRAVE DEED.

your dog. Say, what's his name?"

"Well," said Jim, in a half-apologetic tone, "his whole name's George Washington, but I call him George for short. You see, I ain't got no folks, and I talks to him, and he 'most knows all I say, and it seems 'most like he was my brother. I had a little brother once, and my mother was a real good woman, and—"

"There's my mamma," said the boy in the carriage. "Just show her the dog."

But Jim drew back at a lady approached, and nodding to Johnny Welford, "I'll come," mingled in the crowd. He soon sought a poorer street.

"Ho, ho, George my boy, what do you think of that!" he said, showing him the money. "What 'd' you like for supper to-night? B'long-sausages and crackers, eh? Yes, I knowed you say that," as George, wagging his tail vigorously, licked his master's face.

"No, what'd' you say to a reg'lar baker's roll and a bit o' hot steak?"

George's attention was just here riveted on a cur of low degree passing by, and the short hair on his back stood up as he answered his growl. "No," he went on Jim, "I thought you'd say that was too extravagant for the like o' we; so we'll have the b'long-sausages."

"And where shall we put up to-night, little feller, eh? Shall we go to the United States or to the Jefferson Club house?"

Or shall we go out to the junction, where's we sleep last night? It's gettin' a little cold for country lodgin's, but they might be as expens'ive, and we wouldn't like to disappoint 'em, eh, George? The warm side o' that straw-stack 'n' the head, you know. We might take our supper out there and eat, eh?"

George wagged his hearty approval of the plan, and Jim took his way to a suburban depot. Here he awaited the making up of a freight train, and in the gathering twilight took his place on a platform unperceived. Night closed down as the train wound its long length out of the city, and in the course of an hour Jim alighted amid a perfect wilderness of cross-tracks, sidings, tracks, coal-heaps and a wonderful quantity of freight cars. He sought out but his straw pile and the two enjoyed a hearty meal. Then his quick eyes were attracted by the half-open door of a box-car near.

"Let's see, now," he said, going up to it. "Pe'raps they've been a-keepin' one of their style rooms for us, George."

He lit a match and peered inside. It contained a few articles of shabby furniture and an old carpet rolled up in one corner.

"Splendid!" he exclaimed. "I knowed they'd be a-lookin' for us, George, but 'm blamed if I thought they'd fix up for us like this. Quite nice; don't you be a-waggin' your tail now; over the keer and a-rappin' your tail again the fine furnitur'. Be general now."

Jim rolled himself and his pet into the carpet, and both were comfortably settled for the night when voices were heard.

"What's here?" A man looked in and then climbed up, followed by another.

"It's only me and my dog," said Jim.

"Ah, room for more, I guess."

Jim had thought he was going to have a fine night's rest; but he lay awake long, his thoughts going back to the little boy who had liked him, the boy, who had given him more money than he had had at one time before, and who had promised him a Thanksgiving dinner. He liked the idea of going very much, not only for a good dinner, which was quite an attraction to the poor hungry little tramp, but he wanted to see the nice little fellow again, and see where he lived, and perhaps talk more about dogs. The thought of giving him his dog crossed his mind for a moment, and it was cast aside as a thing impossible, the very idea producing an almost unconscious hug so fervent as to excite a patient howl from George.

He wished, though, that he could lick up" a little to go to Johnny Welford's house. He wondered if he could get a pair of second-hand shoes or what was left of his half dollar, and made up his mind to search among the sweeper's early in the morning for the cleanest paper collar he could find. He had an indefinite hope that some good might come to him from his visit. Perhaps Johnny's father might help him to something to do, or he did odd jobs now, ran errands, swept steps and crossings, but it was great ambition to get "someb'n' like 'ar" to do.

As he lay thinking, the men who shared his shelter were talkier, but he did little heed to them till he heard the words "John Welford!"—"coming that train," and then he listened with every nerve on a tension, till his heart was filled with fright and horror at what he heard.

He heard the whole plan. A large crowd under a close to the track a short distance from the junction, and crowds were hidden near. The men were to wait till the watchman had made his last patrol out that way before the time for the passing of the train, when they would quickly hold the track into its path.

"He sent me up for four years, but I send him for longer than that," said the man, with a laugh and a snarl that made Jim shudder.

When the two at last left the car he called till they were beyond hearing.

and crept cautiously out. He knew that if they suspected his intention they would think no more of crushing out his life than of treading on a worm, but he was resolved on saving that train if he died in doing it. It was bright starlight, but dark enough to admit of his watching the men without much danger of being discovered. He saw them finish their work and hide in the bushes near. Then, with trembling hands, but full of firm purpose, he set about carrying out his plan.

Running back to the straw pile, he quickly made up a bundle of it, and slipping off his old shoes sped noiselessly along the track, past the wreckers. Just beyond the boulder the road made rather a sharp curve, bringing a high bank between the two men and Jim's selected place of action, and this, he hoped, would conceal from them what he was doing, at least long enough to insure success.

He divided his bundle of straw and laid a heap on the track. Then he waited and listened, with his heart beating too loudly for him to hear any other sound. He looked up at the stars over his head. "My mother is up there somewhere, perhaps," whispered the little fellow; "maybe she'll ask some 'un to help me."

As the headlight at last appeared in the distance he set a match to his heap and saw it blaze up brightly. Lighting by it the portion still in his hand, he ran wildly forward, waving it to and fro. But the engine came steadily forward; would it never, never stop? He reached a short bridge over a culvert, and sprang on the abutment at its side, still brandishing his beacon, and, scarcely knowing it, shrieking at the top of his voice. His hands were burning, the smoke blackened his face and took away his breath; but, yes—it surely was slowing. The engine passed him; he listened, and could hear the brakes worked by the desperate strength of frightened men. Passengers crowded out on the platform, and saw the little figure still waving the last sparks of his safety light. And then a dark form stole up to him, a cruel blow sent him crashing against the last car, and he fell. Its wheels had not stopped moving.

Men sprang down, raised him and carried him into the car, where he was laid upon a seat.

"It's the one who stopped the train—a boy. Why did he do it?—what's the matter?" The conductor had sent men forward on the track and soon knew the terrible reason. It spread through the cars like wild-fire. Women cried and fainted, and strong men turned pale. Every one knew that it might have been his or her life which had gone out ere now but for the boy who lay there. A woman wiped the blood and smoke from his face with shaking hands and quick-dropping tears.

Presently a boy's clear voice cried out: "Johnny Welford's father?—Johnny Welford's father?"

A tall man turned in surprise and sent over him. "Did you call my name, my boy?"

"Be you Johnny Welford's father?"

"Yes, I am John Welford."

"Be you a'goin' home to Thanksgivin'?"

"I—hope so"—his voice broke— "thanks to you."

Jim smiled. "I guess mother sent some 'un to help me. Where's George?" The dog had crept close to its master and no one had driven him away. "Hello, old feller. Give Johnny Welford my dog—he'll know 'ell Johnny Welford I can't—come to his house—for—Thanksgivin'!"—the voice died away.

Jim had his Thanksgiving dinner at Johnny Welford's house, but it was a few spoonfuls of wine, given by the white hands of Johnny Welford's mother. And he was the only guest, for there was no merry-making in the beautiful house where the poor little street Arab lay in the balance between life and death. And from many other hearts in the city went up, with fervent thanksgiving, the earnest prayer that the little life which had been so freely offered for others might be spared.

"And you lost your foot, my poor boy," some one said, months after. "You'll have to go without it all your life."

"Why, yes," said Jim, with a laugh; but, bless me! I'm enough sight better off with one foot 'n ever I was left two. Why, it's been Thanksgivin' for me and George all the time ever since. Eh, old feller?"

### Highest Tunnel in the World.

The Denver and South Park railroad has just completed an extension to Pitkin, Gunnison county, Colorado, and the course of the work two tunnels had to be made through the main chain of the Rockies. It is the highest railroad tunnel in the world, being 11,560 feet above the sea level. The length is 1700 feet, and the approaches on either side are said to be marvels of engineering skill. At its eastern end the tunnel has a sharp curve, but so carefully were the calculations of the engineer made, and so exactly were they carried out, that when the two bore met in the interior of the mountain, there was only about one inch variation. American engineering has more than one famous triumph of this sort to boast of. The sides of the great ocean tunnel, though there were four heads, "one from each side and two in the middle, varied in all less than an inch. No such exact work has yet been done in Europe.

### A New Traveler's Story

### Doctor and Patient

A cable despatch says: "The False Prophet is reported to be within three days' march of Khartum." This is the first intimation we have had that Vennor is traveling in Egypt.—*New York Herald.*

A vague but horrible rumor is being handed around with blanched lips that Oscar Wilde will marry and settle in America. Just a few more straws on the dromedary's back, and war with the mother country will be inevitable.

*Evansville Argus.*

**A Modest Suggestion:**  
If the present scholarly State of Massachusetts, which prides itself on having a very official State document, stamped upon it by its great seal, would put a bottle of Hunt's Remedy on its seal instead, it would be doing a very commendable thing. It is a vigorous arm with a sword striking Latin sloth, and an Indian shooting Latin arrows. But Hunt's Remedy does more than this. It attacks the English, the French, the German, and in every language, against the most malicious and deadly enemies of the human frame, and shoots destructive arrows to disease. It specially wages war against the kidneys, so common in our day, and its humanity; and cures ailments of the kidneys, bladder, liver, and urinary organs, and brings death again to the despairing. If Massachusetts would put its great seal on Hunt's Remedy would be the significant design for the seal of some new State.

A little urchin being asked "What Rhode Island noted for?" replied, "It is the only one of the New England States which is the smallest."

When the contribution-box comes round, if you don't give a cent you should nod, and nodding is assent.

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Messrs. Johnston, Holloway & Co., wholesale druggists of Philadelphia, Pa., report that some time ago a gentleman handed them a letter, with a request to send a good catarrh cure to two army officers in Arizona. Recently the same gentleman told them that both the officers and the wife of Gen. John C. Fremont, of Arizona, had been cured of catarrh by the two bottles of Ely's Cream Balm.

For a rich man to make a will that will please all his heirs, is about as difficult a task as for an editor to try to print a newspaper to please all his readers.

**COVETOUSNESS IN DISGUISE.**  
The wonderful success of James Pyle's Pearline has given rise to a flood of imitations with an "line" to their names, evidently to have them sound like Pearline. Enterprises of this sort are quite liable to be more selfish than beneficial.

A coroner's verdict read thus: "The deceased came to his death by excessive drinking, producing apoplexy of the brain, to the minds of the jury."

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### Paragraphs of All Notes

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'Tis hard to get a rooster's crow  
From out a clucking hen;  
'Tis hard to listen to a born  
Which other people bore;  
And, oh! 'tis hard to wait two years  
For the Democrats to go."  
—Rochester Post-Express

Never kick a man when he is down—  
—jump on him.

A real Stalwart: There is one man in New Hampshire so Stalwart that he won't even bolt his door.

"What maddled me," said the man, "was not that the goat chased me, but that the sympathies of the folks looking on were all against me."

It was a Cincinnati young lady who, when she was presented with a pair of opera glasses, asked how in the world she was to keep them on.

"Well, madam, how's your husband to-day?" "Why, doctor, he's no better." "Did you get the leeches?" "Yes, but he only took three of them—draw—I had to fry the rest."

Herbert Spencer says Americans don't know how to grumble. Mr. Spencer should get in with a crowd trying to get home on a mixed train that's late.

A miner fell in love with a girl at first sight, she was easily-mitten with him, and the entire courtship was "My pet?" "You bet!"

A Georgia man had the boss corner. He says: "I fly down in a man can pick her up and tote her; then set her down and milk her, and he cent tote her milk."

It is now bad form, say the Boston Post, for a bridegroom to give the clergyman over \$20, but if he really wants to do it, the clergyman is usually ready to stand in with him and agree to keep the matter secret.

A clerk of an eminently respectable house, the head of which is a deacon, was instructed to prepare an advertisement and have it inserted in the papers. He prepared one which read: "We pot scooped! We hold four acres on the bob-tail flush of any other place! Our house in town on fine table cloths."

A peasant comes to a broker to exchange a hundred-mark note for silver. The broker gives him a hundred-mark roll, which the peasant happens to see if it is all right. He counts up to seventy-one and then puts it all in his pocket. "It was all right so far, so suppose the rest is right, too."

An old story is being revived of a prayer meeting held for a poor fellow's relief who had broken his leg. While Deacon Brown was praying, a tall fellow with an ox-goad knocked down the door, saying: "Father could not come, but sent his prayers in the cart." They were potatoes, beef, pork and butter.

A new baby recently arrived in the family of a Louisville journalist, and papa was exceedingly proud over the infant. Turning to the old black nurse, and stroking the little pate, he said: "Aunt, this boy seems to have a journalistic head." "Oh," cried the untutored old aunt, coolly, "never your mind 'bout dat; dat'll me all right in time."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"Did you say, sir, that I looked like a monkey in that cage over there?" asked Finkinson in angry tones. "No, sir," replied Fogg; "I simply said at the monkey looked like you; and to tell you the truth, I don't believe a brute more than half liked it, either."

"John," said the cashier's wife, "hopping into the bank in the midst of my shopping trip, 'you forgot to leave me that money this morning.' 'What me?' asked the cashier, without looking up. 'Name! name!' exclaimed the lady, 'I am your wife.' 'No doubt, no doubt,' answered the cashier, mechanically, and going on with his writing; 'but you will have to bring some one to identify you.'"  
—Philadelphia News.

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## RHEUMATISM

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## The Newport Mercury.

John F. Seymour, Editor and Proprietor.  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1882.

The book of estimates, which is about completed, contains no estimates for river and harbor improvements.

The Albany Journal's advice points to Governor Fenton as Secretary of the "possible and even probable successor."

British Minister West was arrested in Maryland on Tuesday for violating the fish laws. He was released by order of the State Department.

Gen. Mellor, brakeman of the New York Central road, charged with manslaughter, on account of the disaster at Spuyten Duyvil, last winter, has been acquitted. Is Mr. Vanderbilt still at large?

The re-election of Mayor Hayward as Mayor of Providence for a third term, by the handsome vote of more than two to one for his Democratic opponent, ought to be very pleasing to the Mayor and his many friends. Mayor Hayward has made one of the best executive officers that Providence ever had, and the citizens of that city have shown by their votes that they know a good man when they find him.

They are still at their old tricks down South. Gov. McRae of Louisiana has refused a certificate of election to Wm. Pitt Kellogg in the third district of Louisiana, although the Democratic inspectors of election state that he was fairly elected by over 8000 majority. The governor makes the pretence of non-residence as the plea for withholding the certificate, notwithstanding Kellogg has been four years governor of the State and ten years one of its U. S. Senators.

## Illiteracy.

The tenth census has just issued a bulletin giving the number of persons over ten years of age who can neither read nor write, and it makes a bad showing for the Southern States, and not as good a showing as we could wish for Rhode Island. In South Carolina over 48 per cent of its inhabitants cannot read, while in Iowa less than two and one half (2.4) per cent are unable to read. After South Carolina the proportion of those in the Southern States who are unable to read is as follows: Louisiana 43.8 per cent, Alabama 43.6, Georgia 42.8, Mississippi 41.9, North Carolina 38.3, Florida 38, Virginia 34, Arkansas 28.8, Tennessee 27.8, Texas 24.1, Kentucky 22.2, Maryland 16, Delaware 15.8, West Virginia 12.1. What a contrast with the New England, Middle and Western States, which ranges as follows: Rhode Island 7.9, Colorado 5.9, Massachusetts 5.3, Vermont 4.9, Indiana 4.8, Pennsylvania 4.9, Illinois 4.3, New York 4.2, Connecticut 4.2, New Hampshire 4.2, Wisconsin 4.1, Michigan 3.7, Ohio 3.6, Kansas 3.6, Maine 3.5, Iowa 3.4. Is it any wonder with this showing of ignorance in the South, that that region is so utterly devoid of progress as it is? In most of the Southern States the people unable to read number from one third to one half the entire population, while the number unable to write reaches far higher figures. It would seem that such a deplorable state of ignorance demanded immediate and efficient action on the part of our national lawmakers.

Rhode Island, with her lack of compulsory educational laws and her great number of ignorant mill operatives, makes a bad showing as compared with the rest of the New England States. Here we have out of a population of 220,461, over ten years, 7456 persons unable to read, and 24,798 unable to write, while Maine with a population of 519,000 has only 22,170 unable to read and write, New Hampshire with a population of 285,188, has but 14,302 of the latter class. The other New England States rank about the same as New Hampshire. In other words there is nearly double the number of persons growing up in ignorance in this State in proportion to her population, to any other New England State. This ought to furnish food for reflection for the members of our General Assembly. Why should Rhode Island, which from her small territory and excellent educational facilities, ought to take the lead in the matter of the education of her children, fall so far behind all the others? The percentage of ignorance in this State has been rapidly increasing for the past thirty years, and if it goes on unchecked for the next thirty, we shall rival South Carolina in the number of illiterate people. Another feature of this census bulletin is worthy of consideration. It shows that in the South the proportion of illiteracy is greater among the natives than it is among the foreign born population, while in all the Northern States almost the entire amount of illiteracy is among the foreign born portion of the population. Take Rhode Island for instance, there are 144,396 native whites in the State, of these but 4,361 are unable to read, while of the 70,562 foreign born, 19,283 cannot write their name. Of the 5,363 colored persons in this State 1,249 cannot read, or write. In the South the illiteracy is about equally divided between the whites and the blacks, which does away with the claim of the high-toned Southerner that the great preponderance of ignorance in those States is among the colored population.

## Alaska as an Investment.

When Alaska was bought, most people believed that the United States had made a very bad and costly bargain, but if a Washington dispatch is to be believed, the trade was a very fair one after all. It appears that the government has already realized in the way of revenues from the contract with the Alaska Fur Seal Company, for the right to catch seals, upwards of ten millions of dollars, or four millions more than the purchase money paid to Russia for the entire territory. It is estimated that this company will have paid into the treasury, by the time of the expiration of its contract with the government, some eight or nine years hence, fully twenty millions of dollars.

The New York Tribune is very confident that General Butler is training for the Democratic nomination for the Presidency in 1884. He will, it predicts, use the office of Governor in a way to attract public attention. "It is light," it adds, "will not be concealed under a bushel during the next year. There will be frequent proclamations from the house-top, and if the Democracy is looking around for a reformer or a candidate in 1884 it will have hard work to turn in any direction without stumbling over Benjamin F. Butler. He is likely to answer 'Here!' a minute or so before his name is called."

The Postmaster General in his report to Congress will recommend the reduction of letter postage from three to two cents. This is a move in the right direction. Cheap postage is something that will benefit all classes of people. Mr. Elmer, the Assistant Postmaster General, favors an increase in the rate of postage on merchandise. The Government, on long distances, he says, is compelled to carry merchandise packages at a loss, while, owing to the competition of the express companies, it does not get the business on the short routes.

Moralizing on the Chalmers election contest in Mississippi and on the necessity of a free ballot-box, the Memphis (Tenn.) Appeal (Dem.) says: "Practically the public offices, from the Presidency down, are the toys of individual ambition, put up at public outcry, to be given to the highest bidder for cash. A surer or more active agent for sapping the foundation of public virtue could not be devised."

Alfred Tennyson has written a letter to the managers of the Globe theatre, expressing his thanks for the manner in which they produced his new play, the "Promises of May." He thinks the public will accept the drama, despite the efforts of hostile critics to write it down. Mr. Tennyson must be of an excessively sanguine turn of mind.

The New York House of Assembly just elected is composed of 53 lawyers, 5 journalists, 2 bankers, 4 farmers, 2 contractors, 3 hotel keepers, 1 dentist, 1 produce dealer, 1 plumber, 1 police justice, 2 "book agents" and 18 gentlemen who have no visible means of support.

A serenade to Madame Christine Nilsson at the Victoria Hotel in New York the other evening attracted several thousand people. The compliment was tendered on behalf of the Scandinavians and their singing societies of New York and Brooklyn, and the instrumental part of the programme was furnished by Gilmore's Band.

A band of Indian hunters composed of Buffalo Bill, Texas Jack, Wild Bill, Merciless Ben and California Joe started for the plains from Ithaca, Mich. Their ages ranged from twelve to fourteen years. They were overtaken and captured by pale faces before they had gone far, and were taken back home for chastisement.

The friends of Blaine have started the Presidential boom business for 1884, and the first club has been formed in West Philadelphia. Its object is to urge the nomination and election of Mr. Blaine for President in 1884. Some 250 persons have signed the roll of membership.

The President has appointed Colgate Hoyt of New York a Government Director of the Union Pacific Railroad, vice George E. Spencer, dismissed. Mr. Hoyt is a member of the firm of James B. Colgate & Co., bankers.

The attorney General of New York has consented to permit an action to be commenced against the Mutual Union Telegraph Company, to determine its right to exist against the will of Jay Gould.

The Washington Post says: "Gen. Robert Toombs is here, brilliant, hale, and unrepentant. He has also a sweet young granddaughter at school in Baltimore, whom he has come on to see."

The Assistant Treasurer in New York has been directed by Secretary Foster to accept \$20,000,000 per week of unmatrimonial bonds under any of the calls, without rebate of interest.

R. Porter Lee, late President of the First National Bank of Buffalo, has been sentenced to the penitentiary for ten years for embezzlement.

Senator John T. Morgan, Democrat of Alabama, has been re-elected to the United States Senate for six years from March next.

## The Security of National Banks.

The forthcoming report of Comptroller Knox states that 57 national banks have been placed in the hands of receivers during the twenty years the national banking system has been in operation. Of the 57 banks the affairs of 51 have been closed. The loss to creditors of the failing banks, including dividends, which will be paid hereafter, does not exceed \$7,000,000. The annual loss, therefore, has been about \$400,000 a year in the business of corporations, which have \$450,000,000 of capital and which have been responsible for the safe keeping of deposits in their banks, constantly averaging over \$800,000,000. This is about one-twentieth of one per cent of annual loss to depositors, who most certainly have no just cause for complaint. Money placed with a national bank is little safer there than anywhere else.

## Credit Mobilier Decision.

Chief Justice Duffee rendered this week an opinion in the famous Credit Mobilier suit, which has engaged the attention of the Rhode Island Court for many years. This was the case of Isaac P. Hazard and others vs. Thomas C. Durant and others. The complainants ask the Court to enter a decree against the defendants for a sum which as computed by them up to July, 1881, amounts to \$15,528,648. Judge Duffee's ruling will very much reduce this sum, which is swollen by compounding the interest, whereas the Court holds that simple interest should be allowed. A request for a percentage of the full amount claimed, which would exceed \$300,000 to complainants' costs and expenses in this suit, is disallowed by the Court, who said this might swallow up all that could be recovered, and that after payment of actual costs the amount collected would be the property of all the stockholders, those joining as complainants in this suit having only their pro rata property in it with the others.

A Boston Herald reporter has been making up the alleged telegraph institutes which profess to make a good operator in a few months and to find lucrative positions for their graduates. As the schools advertise that they have trained men now in the employ of the Western Union and railroad offices, the reporter interviewed managers of telegraph companies and was told that a diploma from a school of telegraphy was a disqualification rather than a recommendation. The practical telegrapher, they said, gets his training in a real office, beginning at the bottom, and a "graduate" applicant is invariably turned away as incompetent.

Ben Butler's reported belief that Grover Cleveland will not make the running for the Democratic Presidential sweepstakes, year after next, is funny. It suggests the good old story of the deacon who, when the parson looking over the heads of the two young people asked if anybody knew of any "just cause or impediment," sang out that he did. The astonished parson demanded an explanation. "I had intended Hannah for myself," answered the deacon. — Hartford (Conn.) Courant.

Among the notable deaths of the week are the Hon. Lewis T. Drummond, judge of the court of queen's bench, and one of the most prominent public men of the Dominion of Canada, aged 70 years; Gen. Hamilton N. Eldridge, a distinguished lawyer, soldier, and citizen of Chicago, aged forty-nine years; Mr. Bonnet-Duverrier, the well-known Radical Deputy from Lyons, France; Commander Henry Eagle, United States Navy, age, eighty two.

An analysis of the returns from Kansas leads to the inference that the legitimate Democratic vote this year was about as large as in 1880, and that over 20,000 Republicans voted for the Democratic candidate for governor. In only one county in the State (Mitchell) was St. John's vote larger than that of the other Republican candidates.

The Manchester, N. H., Union is frank enough to congratulate a subscriber who stopped his paper on account of the ground it took on a certain question of local importance, saying: "This gentleman is the first that has ever been able to find out what position we did take on the question."

The young ladies of Philadelphia have solemnly resolved that they will cease kissing any young man addicted to the bad habit of smoking cigarettes, but will encourage all others "as far as is consistent with true modesty." We would like to know how far that is.

One lady attended the polls in the Eighth Ward all day, says the Providence Journal, to aid and encourage the vote against liquor licenses. That Waro gave the largest majority of any against the license system.

Mr. Theodore D. Weld, the veteran abolitionist and co-worker with William Lloyd Garrison, celebrated the eightieth anniversary of his birth at his residence in Hyde Park, Mass., a few days ago.

The Albany Journal (Rep.) thinks that "the Republican party cannot afford to make whiskey and tobacco free, and keep up the ruinous taxes upon wool and glass and iron and sugar."

## The Great of Tatar.

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Diphtheria is so prevalent in Philadelphia as to call for special action of the Board of Health.

## A Hotel Man's Luck.

Mr. J. G. Tyler, chief clerk at the Union Depot Hotel, Ogden, had chummed in the numbers of the sheet and left shoulder. By applying the Great German Remedy three days he realized complete restoration, and he shares the credit thereof with his equal in the St. Jacobs Oil for pain. The Great German Remedy is also a specific for burns and sprains. — Salt Lake (Utah) Tribune.

The floods in the German Rhine had Tuesday reached the highest point known this century. Railroad travel is suspended.

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The floods in Germany are making great devastation. A house at Dusseldorf, undermined by the flood fell into the water, and fourteen persons are believed to have been drowned. At Cologne the forts on account of the flood from the overflow of the river Rhine are being emptied of stores and ammunition. The Zoological Gardens are inundated and the animals have been removed.

A Boston correspondent of the Providence Press says: "Mrs. Amory, of Boston, when dining in London with a distinguished company, gathered in honor of her relative, Lord Lyndhurst, was asked if 'Mrs. Stowe, whose 'Uncle Tom's Cabin' was the sensation of the day, was black, like the characters she described?'"

William H. Vanderbilt, Jay Gould and Russell Sage are called the three wealthiest men in New York. Their individual wealth fluctuates above and below a hundred millions of dollars. Next to them is said to be ex-Gov. E. D. Morgan, who is worth fifty millions, with only one grandchild to leave it to.

Commodore Shufeldt denies the report that the naval commission has decided on plans for steel cruisers, and refers, for proof, to the fact that Secretary Chandler, only a few days since, sent out a circular asking for the submission of new plans.

The wife of Engineer Melville, who has been released from the Morris-town, Pa., lunatic asylum, went to Brooklyn, Saturday, and driving to the house where her 4-year old daughter was, called her to the door and abducted her.

It is said John Bright declares he knows but one war since William the Conqueror that can be justified, and that is the war for the preservation of the American Union.

The society season in the Southern States depends for its brilliancy upon the cotton crop. Wheat is the great factor at the West.

Eleven lives were lost by the sinking of a steamer off Cornwall, England.

## A Mysterious Case.

Sunday afternoon a sail boat with three men coming, it is said, from Narragansett Pier, landed at a wharf in Fall River. One of the men, Edward Harrington, living on Central street, was taken home by the other two, who went away without giving any explanation. Harrington was weak and ill. He soon fell into a comatose condition and died on Tuesday. His body was covered with bruises, and there was a black discoloration on his neck, as though an attempt had been made to strangle him. He was a sailor, 35 years old, and a few months ago shipped on a coaster in the southern lumber trade. It is said he was taken ill on ship board, and put off the vessel at this port. The two men who brought him to Fall River are unknown, and have disappeared. The police are investigating.

## Old Colony Railroad Meeting.

At the annual meeting of the Old Colony Railroad Co. in Boston on Tuesday, the old Board of Directors was re-elected. The meeting authorized the directors to issue bonds, coupon or registered, amounting to \$300,000, to fund the floating debt and for other purposes. One of the auditing committee, Mr. Seth Turner, resigned after many years of service.

The following resolution was adopted: Resolved, That the president, superintendent and directors are responsible for any disorder that may prevail, or accident that may happen, upon the property of the Old Colony Railroad Company, if caused, directly or indirectly, by persons under the influence of intoxicating liquors sold with the sanction or knowledge of the above named officials within the limits or upon the grounds owned by, or under the control of, the corporation.

## Charged with Manslaughter.

William Hefterin, who was assaulted by Wm. H. and James A. Potter, two brothers, early last month, in a Kerry Hill row, died at the Newport Hospital on Saturday morning from the effect of his injuries, and was buried from St. Mary's church on Sunday. Hefterin made a sane-moment statement and on the strength of this, the two young men, who are not yet of age, were arrested on a warrant charging them with manslaughter, and in default of \$5000 bail each, were committed to jail, to await the action of the grand jury.

William Jackson was arrested Wednesday morning on a warrant charging him with beating his wife. He was arraigned before Judge Baker, pleaded not guilty, his case was continued till next Tuesday, and he furnished bail and was released.

## CHRISTMAS 1882 CHRISTMAS

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### Recent Publications.

The *December Wide Awake* is the holiday issue, and is probably the largest and finest single number of a young folks' magazine ever published; it appears in a beautiful cover printed in colors, and its page of contents gives a tempting array of titles, and an impressive list of authors. Two frolicsome pleasures are the number: "Lost on the way to Grandpa's," by George F. Barnes, and "The Mother and the Child," from Bourgeois's painting, with a border designed by E. H. Garrett, and illustrating Mrs. D. T. Whitney's poem with the same title. Mrs. Whitney's poem is followed by one from Elizabeth Stuart Phelps, "The Little Mud Sparrow." Celia Thaxter and Helen Hunt are also represented by poems with very beautiful illustrations. Farther on is an illustrated group of poems contributed by English poets: "A Christmas Carol," by Christy Rossett, "Wings," by Dinah Mulock Crank. Two serials are begun: "The Silver City," by F. A. Ober, which promises a most and a realistic romance of the best sort, and "Old Garret Days," by Mrs. Calhewood, a story of the old Turnpike times and the white rent-ways. Besides these there are a host of other good things in the holiday number. Only 25¢ and 50¢ each. 25 cents a number. D. Lothrop & Co., publishers, Franklin-st., Boston, Mass.

"Pictureque Journeys in America" is the title of a pretty quarto in the holiday list of K. Worthington. It is, however, as instructive as pretty, and will be preserved to instruct and entertain long after the holidays are over. The most beautiful and picturesque scenery in this country, from the shores of Maine to the wonderful mountains and valleys of California, are pictured in the fine engravings and it is all described in the text in a manner most likely to hold the attention of young readers.

One of the most noteworthy of the illustrated books for children of the present season is *Around the House*, with bright, jingling rhymes, by Mr. Edward Willet, and pictures in colors from designs by Mr. Chas. Kendrick. In making books of this class, it too frequently happens that all the attention

is given to the pictures, to the great neglect of the text. In this book, equal pains have been taken with both. Mr. Willet is one of the best known of the young journalists of New York, and in using his leisure from more serious work to write these taking rhymes for little ones, he has shown an appreciation of their fancies and tastes, which is rare indeed among writers.

The word "Chatterbox" has become suggestive to little ones of literary and artistic treasures, which were unheard of by the

children of a generalship. Among the books which bear this name, *Chatterbox, Junior*, is very attractive. Its many pictures, with the accompanying sketches, will afford profitable amusement through many a long winter evening. Both pictures and stories are greatly varied in character, but they are of great merit. It has a cover of vivid colors, which will make any child dance with delight. It is published by R. Worthington, New York.

fired, or Sigurd, for centuries the hero of northern folk-lore. The author tells us, however, that he has taken his material from many myths, and has drawn upon his imagination in some of the minor details. The tale is, nevertheless, essentially northern, the changes not altering its character in the least. The book is well written and should lead many to enter upon a study of the instructive and delightful northern mythology.

"The Hidden Record; or, the Old Sea Mystery," by E. W. Bialstedt, is published by T. B. Peterson & Brothers, Philadelphia. The story is interesting and well written, and the interest is sustained to the end. Price in paper covers, 75 cents.

"The Modern Hagar!" A Drama, by CHARLES

M. Clay, author of "Baby Rue" New York: George W. Harlan & Co., 41 W 23d-st. 1882. 2 vols. pp. 701.

Harlan has traced what is rare in these days, a two volume novel, "The Modern Hagar". Baby Rue is again met in this story, whose scene is laid in the Southwestern States. The narrative relates largely to slavery, and the plot is not strictly original. The story, however, does not lack in incident and movement, and is told well and effectively. The volumes are handsomely bound and well printed.

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Debate, the Chicago Times wonders if his age isn't a good deal overworked.

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